

# SOCIETY

The advent of the "sheath skirt" in Richmond is being attended with much comment, both from the male and female contingent among fashionable people. The fact that a smartly attired and well-known Richmond girl walked from the West End downtown last week, clad in the habiliments of fashion as represented by directorate modishness and clinging enslavement, was a matter for graphic discussion over the teacups afterward.

"I assure you, my dear," said one critic, "the slash in the sheath extended more than half way from hem to waist line. But the effect was undeniably stylish," she continued, "I never realized before how charming russet brown could be, embodied in gowns, hat, gloves, tie, 'knickers,' shoes and hose. I have almost decided to let my dressmaker try the effect of a 'sheath' for me."

Now, the girl who caused the conversation and commotion, and who was doubtless pleasantly excited over having done so—for it is the vogue to play to the gallery nowadays in everything—was yet a girl, a slim, graceful child, on whom most lines, however absurd, might take a not displeasing curve; a girl in whom, because of her youth, many extravagances might be overlooked and forgiven. The woman critic who discussed her vagaries was no longer young, no longer slender, no longer of a size or age to attempt to render herself conspicuous by usurping the privileges and present follies of maidenhood. But her youthful maidenhood, any exclusive privileges, when grandmothers of three score and ten, with snowy locks, affect the whims of the moment in the arrangement of their scanty tresses, the cut of their gowns and the shape of their hats?

The chief thing to be desired by a woman in regard to the impression she makes is that she shall be harmonious, that her personality and her clothing shall blend and suit perfectly in regard to color tints and general adjustment. Let young people alone to have the sheaths. If they so desire them, and the other overblown fads and fancies that come and go with the fickleness and the evanescence of April sunshine and showers. One looks pityingly, it is true, upon youth in ugly disguise, but still the bloom and the freshness beneath the disguise, and the inconsequence aside with a "well, children will be children, and one cannot expect or hope for anything more or anything different." Life to the young is a bal masque, and if the masqueraders are at times fantastic beyond words, why, it is a part of the comedy they are engaged in, that is all.

But maturity has not the excuse of youth. The curtain has rung down on the comedy, when years of discretion have arrived, and when, instead of the simple dignity belonging to comely middle age, or to sweet and reposeful old age, one is confronted with a ghastly assumption of frivolity on the part of an elder generation, one's thoughts involuntarily revert to "Lady Skewton," dying from paralysis, in the shade of rose-colored bed curtains, or Elizabeth of England, palsied and trembling, her withered features looking all the more shrunken and wrinkled because of the wig and the paint used to disguise them.

Let the children of society play at sheathing, if they will. They will soon grow tired of doing it if they are not noticed for children love an audience and applause. And let those who are entering upon and undertaking more serious phases of life remember that "Women who make their dress a principal part of themselves will in general become of no more value than their dress."

## Mrs. Randolph Arrives.

Mrs. Alfred Magill Randolph, Jr., of Altrincham, England, and little son, Alfred, will arrive this morning to spend the winter in Richmond with Mrs. Randolph's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Baker Pace. As Miss Bessie Pace, Mrs. Randolph was one of the most popular young girls in Richmond society.

Mrs. Randolph will be met in Richmond by her sister, Mrs. W. W. Hite, of Louisville, Ky.; her brother, Mr. James B. Pace, Jr., also of Louisville, and her nephew, Mr. William Hite, of the University of Virginia.

The arrival of the different members of the family has been so timed in honor of the fiftieth marriage anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pace, Sr., on October 12th.

This celebration will be an event of deep interest to scores of Richmond friends, who, for years, have known Mr. and Mrs. Pace as the embodiment of hospitality in its truest sense.

**Davin-Pettit.**  
On Tuesday, October 6th, "Rock Rest," the home of Hon. Pembroke Pettit, was the scene of a quiet but beautiful celebration, when his eldest daughter, Genevieve, was given in marriage to Mr. Alfred Henry Davin.

Goldenrod and ferns, with sprays of autumn leaves, made drawing room decorations in harmony with a perfect October day. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Samuel Hatcher, of Farmville, and was witnessed by

members of the immediate family and near relatives.

The bride was very handsome in a stone-gray tailored gown, with glints of green and gold supplying charming touches of color. Immediately after their wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Davin came to Richmond to catch the Florida special en route to Cuba, where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. Davin is a young woman of most attractive personality and many accomplishments. Mr. Davin is of French descent, but a Virginian by adoption and an engineer by profession.

**The Monday Tea.**  
Ten will be served at Woman's Club tomorrow afternoon, and, as each weekly social affair at the club seems pleasanter and brighter than the one preceding it, this promises to be delightful.

Mrs. Allison Hodges, Mrs. Charles E. Borden, Mrs. Moses Hoge and Miss Margaret Stringfellow will be the hostesses of the afternoon.

**Will Meet To-Morrow.**  
The board of managers of Sheltering Arms Free Hospital will meet to-morrow at noon. All members are expected to be present.

**First Autumn Meeting.**  
The representatives of the Visiting Nurses' Association will hold the first autumn meeting at the Nurses' Settlement, No. 108 North Seventh Street, Tuesday at 12 o'clock. A large attendance is desired.

**An Interesting Event.**  
Much interest was felt in Richmond over the marriage on Wednesday last of Miss Jane Bell Moon and Mr. John Minor Maury, celebrated at noon, in Christ Church, Charlottesville.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. John B. Moon, of Charlottesville, and Mr. Maury is a son of the late Charles B. Maury, of Washington, D. C., now cashier of the American Manufacturing Company, of New York.

The ushers were Messrs. W. C. Dabney, Cecil Dabney, George Mason, Charlottesville; Robert Lewis, William Herbert and L. Pearce, of New York; Mr. Edmund Burke, of Boston, was best man. The bridesmaids were the five sisters of the bride.

After the marriage a few friends, with the bridal party, were entertained at "Danora," the ancestral home of the bride.

Guests from a distance were Mrs. Charles B. Maury and Miss Isabel Hill, of Richmond; Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Dabney, of Louisville; Dr. and Mrs. William Dabney, of Baltimore; Mrs. Thompson Maury, Mr. Arthur Maury, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. L. Lewis, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Burke, of Boston; Mr. Basil Gordon, of Mississippi; Judge and Mrs. Bennett Gordon, of Nelson county; Miss Martha Maury Robinson, of Richmond.

The church was decorated in green and white, and the house, a lovely old Colonial mansion, was lightened by scarlet sage, dahlias, asters and autumn foliage. All present were impressed with the gracious and cordial welcome accorded by a most hospitable host and hostess. The bride's gown, empire in style, was of white brocade satin, and her flowers were roses and lilies of the valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Maury will live in Plainfield, N. J.

**Rummage Sale.**  
A rummage sale, under the auspices of Summer Rest, will be held at No. 1901 East Main Street October 19th to 24th. Contributions are asked to be sent to No. 509 East Grace Street or to the above number on Main Street.

**Meeting Postponed.**  
The monthly meeting of Richmond Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, is postponed from Wednesday, the 14th to October 21st, in order that reports may be heard from the meeting of the Virginia Division at Manassas this week.

**First Conservatory Recital.**  
The first recital of the autumn season will be given Thursday evening, October 15th, at 8:30 o'clock, in the Richmond Conservatory of Music, and the public is cordially invited to be present.

Those taking part in the evening's program will be Mrs. Philippe de Coster, pianist; Mrs. John Murphy, vocalist, and Mrs. Frank Duke, violinist.

Mrs. de Coster won first prize at the Royal Conservatory of Music in Brussels.

**Personal Mention.**  
Miss Maria Watkins, of Clover, Va., is the guest of the Misses Conway, at No. 304 West Grace Street.

Mrs. W. R. Duke, of Albemarle county, with her little sons, is visiting Mrs. C. E. Wingo, at No. 302 Park Avenue.

Mr. J. V. Reynolds is very ill at his home, No. 511 West Seventh Street, Manchester.

Cards of invitation have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Seabury, of Petersburg, for the marriage of their sister, Miss Martha Dunn Stevenson Vaughan, to Mr. Nathaniel Martin. The marriage will take place at noon Wednesday, October 21st, in Tabb Street Presbyterian Church.

A reunion was held last week in the home of Mr. C. E. Hunt, near Lennix, Va. Members of the family present were Miss Alice Hunt, Messrs. W. A. J. R. G. B. and C. E. Hunt; Mrs. W. A. J. R. G. B. and C. E. Hunt; Misses Mary, Louise, Orianna and Sue Hunt, and Mr. Dudley Hunt.

Miss Janie B. Wilkins, who has been visiting friends in Richmond, has returned to her home at Tuberville, Va.

Misses Myrtle and Winifred Robertson and Miss Louise Omohundro, of Omohundro, Va., were visitors to the city last week.

Mrs. Franklin Stearnes has returned from a visit to Mrs. Lacy Parker, of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Trollinger, of Pulaski, Va., attended the State Fair.

Dr. G. S. Dodd, of Harrisonburg, Va., was called to Richmond last week by the illness of his father.

Captain J. L. Pitts, of Scottsville, Va., spent several days in the city as a visitor to the fair.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Shepherd, of Tuberville, spent last week in Richmond.

Miss Beale Walker, of King and Queen county, near Walkerton, will spend the winter in Richmond.

Miss Mary Deane, of West Point, Va., has been the recent guest in Richmond of Mrs. Henry Sheppard.

Messrs. A. H. Snyder and E. W. Carpenter, of Harrisonburg, Va., took in the State Fair during several days of last week.

Mrs. C. H. Major, of West Point, is the guest of relatives here.

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West Point, were visitors to Richmond last week.

Mr. B. C. Wherry and family have moved to No. 108 West Grace Street.

Mr. Robert Haskins spent Wednesday last in Danville, Va.

Miss Alice and Miss Lou Leigh have returned from Fauquier, where they spent the summer, and have opened

their home, No. 202 West Main Street.

Mr. Charles Wilson, who has been visiting in Danville, has returned to Richmond.

A family reunion was held October 9th in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rorer, near Pittsville, Va., those attending it being Mr. and Mrs. Miles Putnam and family, of Des Moines, Ia.; Mrs. A. P. Keese and Mrs. Gilmore Haley.

Miss Belle Norwood Tyler, of Radford, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Heth Tyler, of Duke Street, Norfolk.

Miss Mary Lewis is a guest in the home of Mr. T. W. Garnett, of Beulahville, Va.

Mr. Mahlon Hopkins Janney, of Alexandria, Va., is visiting Mr. Winston Bolling, on Floyd Avenue.

Mrs. W. M. Wade, Miss Lucy Wade

State Fair.

and Master William M. Wade, who have been spending some time at the home of Mrs. D. P. Powers, returned to their home in Richmond Monday.

President E. A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia; Mr. N. A. Garrett and Mr. C. P. Breese, of Norfolk, were registered at the Walcott Hotel, New York, last week.

Mrs. Robert Skipwith, who came to Richmond to attend the marriage of Mrs. Susan Christian King, to Mr. George N. Skipwith, on Wednesday last, has returned to her home, "South-east," in Powhatan county, after stopping for a few days with her nephew, Mr. Ernest L. Bolling, of Floyd Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Jones, of Smithfield, and Mrs. and Mrs. Charles W. Warren, of Bacon's Castle, are in the city, and last week attended the

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## New Kent Social News.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NEW KENT C. H., VA., October 10.—There will be an entertainment at the courthouse on the 14th of October for the benefit of Corinth Baptist Church. Captain John Lamb, of Richmond, Va., will be there to lecture, and supper will be served from 5 to 7 o'clock.  
Mr. P. H. Sweet, the county treasurer, is improving after a severe spell. Miss Uldine Valden has accepted a school near Sumter, S. C.

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